**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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| Applicants: | Dwight H. Warkentin et al. | Examiner: | Smith, Terri L. |
| Serial No. | 10/680,462 | Group Art Unit: | 3762 |
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| Title: | METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLING EXTRA-SYSTOLIC STIMULATION (ESS) THERAPY USING ISCHEMIA DETECTION | | |

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**AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The instant Amendment is tendered in response to the non-final Office Action mailed 1 December 2006 which set a three-month period for reply. Said Amendment is submitted within one-month following the expiration of the expiration of said period for reply. Accordingly, Applicants herewith submit a petition for a one-month extension of time in which to respond to the non-final Office Action thereby extending the period for reply until 1 April 2007.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.